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For : DRYER FOR A)	
WEB OF MATERIAL)	

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, and with MPEP Section 609, the materials set forth on the enclosed form PTO/SB/08a are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the non-U.S. patent documents are enclosed. Copies of the U.S. patent documents are not enclosed.

Each of the two documents listed in the International Search Report, which is a part of the published PCT application WO 2004/035313 is listed on the PTO/SB/08a form. FR 2,184,036 does not appear to have an English language abstract or equivalent. It is cited as an "A" document; i.e. one showing the general state of the art. The sole drawing figure appears to show a path of web travel through several U-shaped enclosures that have intermediate nozzles.

U.S. 5,640,906 is in the English language. No discussion of this document is required.

The various documents listed and discussed in the specification of the subject application are also listed on the PTO/SB/08a form.

DE 41 33 555 is accompanied by an English language abstract which was obtained from a commercial database.

DE 44 29 891 is the equivalent of U.S. 5,640,906 which is discussed above.

DE 298 19 202 does not appear to have an English language abstract or equivalent. The Examiner is requested to review the discussion of that document in the Substitute Specification.

DE 100 44 676 is accompanied by an English language abstract which was obtained from a commercial database.


DE 40 33 642 is the equivalent of U.S. patent No. 5,353,979.

Entry of these materials into the file of the subject U.S. patent application, and their consideration by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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